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FDA - Docket No. 98N-1265
Food and Drug Administration
5600 Fishers Lane
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Dear FDA:

I strongly oppose the Draft Memorandum being proposed by the FDA. In particular, I am concerned about the definition of "inordinate amount" which, in effect, restricts the availability and the right to obtain medically necessary compounded medications by limiting the number of prescriptions that can be shipped across state lines from specialized compounding pharmacies.


My *very life literally* depends upon the availability of these prescriptions from an out of state pharmacy (in Arizona). After surgery that I had several years ago, a transdermal medication is absolutely necessary for my survival - because of my sensitivities, nothing else will work. The same prescription from the local - in state - compounding pharmacy gives unacceptable side effects. I need to be able to measure it in precise amounts, which cannot be done with oral medication. I have no other options.

If you would persist in your efforts to close these invaluable sources of life saving medications, not only would my life be in jeopardy, but also the health of thousands - and possibly hundreds of thousands - of other women (and men) who have no access to, or unacceptable experiences with, compounding pharmacies within their own state.

Please do not restrict the necessary access to the only source of survival for many of us who have no other choice.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

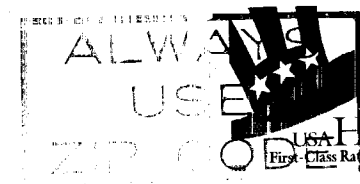


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